

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] for movement of an oscillating member along a rail [[(4)]] under backward and forward oscillations of the member, comprising a support [[(6)]] securable to the oscillating member and guided for movement relative to the rail [[(4)]], the support [[(6)]] providing a first fulcrum [[(8)]] and a first biasing means [[(10)]] spaced apart along the length of a lever [[(18)]] , the lever [[(18)]] having a rail engaging formation [[(20)]] spaced along its length from the first fulcrum [[(8)]] , the first biasing means [[(10)]] resiliently biasing the lever [[(18)]] about the first fulcrum [[(8)]] for the engaging formation [[(20)]] to grip the rail [[(4)]] resisting movement in a backward direction, and the resilient bias of first biasing means [[(10)]] selected to be overcome for the engaging formation [[(20)]] to release the rail [[(4)]] for movement in a forward direction.

2. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that wherein the first fulcrum [[(8)]] provides a second biasing means [[(48)]] that resiliently biases the lever [[(18)]] about a second fulcrum [[(50)]] provided by the support [[(6)]] for movement in the backward direction.

3. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that wherein the fulcrums (8, 50) engage the lever [[(18)]] between their respective biasing means (10, 48) and the engaging formation [[(20)]] of the lever [[(18)]] .

4. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in claim 2 [[or 3]], characterized in that wherein the first biasing means [[(10)]] and second biasing means [[(48)]] are piston and cylinder assemblies with the pistons (34, 36) contacting the lever [[(18)]].

5. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that wherein the piston and cylinder assemblies are hydraulic or pneumatic.

6. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in 5, characterized in that wherein the piston and cylinder assemblies are each connected to a pressurized fluid source [[(44)]] with the effective area of the piston [[(34)]] and cylinder [[(30)]] of the first biasing means [[(10)]] greater than that of the piston [[(36)]] and cylinder [[(32)]] of the second biasing means [[(48)]] and a control valve provided between the first biasing means [[(10)]] and fluid source [[(44)]].

7. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in any one of claims claim 4 [[to 6]], characterized in that wherein the lever [[(18)]] has outwardly curved formations (18A, 18B) which are respectively engaged by the pistons (36, 34).

8. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in any one of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein the engaging formation is a passage [[(20)]] through the lever [[(18)]].

9. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in any one of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein the engaging formation [[(20)]] is provided as a yoke engageable onto the rail [[(4)]].

10. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in any one of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein the rail [[(4)]] has a rectangular cross section.

11. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in any of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that wherein the engaging formation [[(20)]] provides a pair of parallel opposed line contact points (23A, 23B; 25A, 25B) locatable on opposite sides of the rail [[(4)]] and spaced apart along the length of the rail [[(4)]].

12. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in any one of claims claim 1 [[to 10]], characterized in that wherein the engaging formation [[(20)]] provides a pair of opposed engaging surfaces (22A, 22B; 24A, 24B) that are transversely inclined relative to the axis of the lever [[(18)]], locatable on opposite sides of the rail [[(4)]] and offset along the length of the rail [[(4)]].

13. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in any one of the preceding claims claim 1, characterized in that it which is for movement of a percussion drill along the rail.

14. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in claim 13, characterized in that wherein the support [[(6)]] is a carriage whereon a percussion drill is secured.

15. (Currently amended) An apparatus [[(2)]] as claimed in claim [[12]] 13, characterized in that wherein the support [[(6)]] is integral with a casing of a percussion drill.